The Heart of Recovery: Long-Term Recovery Committees

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- Outline the mission and make up of a COAD;
- Explain the COAD-LTRC connection;
- Describe the structure and function of a LTRC;
- Detail strategies for organizing a LTRC;
- Discuss the importance of Disaster Case Management (DCM) in the context of longterm recovery operations.



What is a COAD?

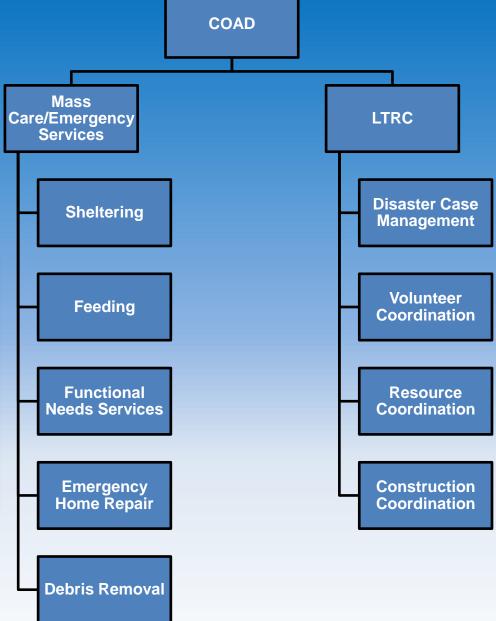
- A COAD is a community group made up of representatives from public, private, volunteer, faith-based and nonprofit agencies and organizations who may be active in <u>all phases</u> of disaster: mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery.
- Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COADs) are dedicated to helping a community make the best of its own resources by creating local relationships prior to an event.
- COADs have a broad mission: to strengthen area-wide disaster coordination by sharing programs, policies, information, joint planning, and training.





Example COAD Functions







The COAD and the LTRC

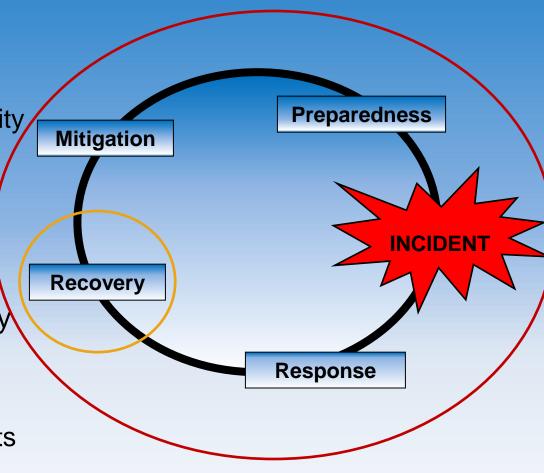
 The COAD addresses community-wide needs/gaps:

> discusses strategies to ensure that the community is more disaster resilient during both "blue" and "gray" skies.

 The LTRC addresses individual/household recovery needs caused by a specific event:

locates/generates resources;

 coordinates and supports DCM efforts.



Graphic Source: FEMA Course IS288 Role of Voluntary Agencies in Emergency Management



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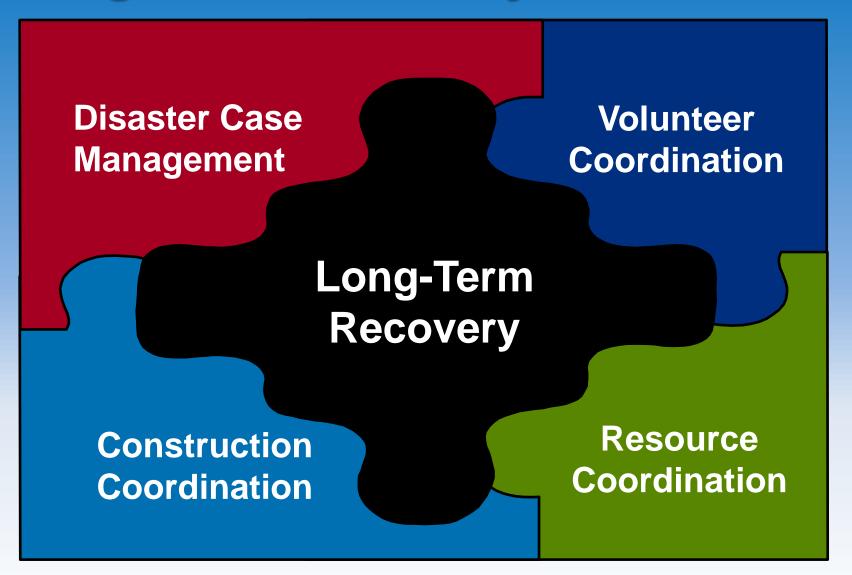
LTRC Operational Principles



- Identify disaster-caused, unmet needs
- Work with survivors to develop recovery plans
- Locate, develop, and deliver resources – goods, services, funds, etc. – to meet unmet needs.



Long-Term Recovery Focal Areas





Disaster Case Management Sequence of Delivery

Voluntary Organizations

- Mass Feeding
- Sheltering
- •Emergency
 Assistance
- Medical needs
- •Cleanup/muck-out

Insurance & Personal Resources

- Homeowners
- Sump Failure& SewerBack-up rider
- Renters
- •Flood
- Earthquake
- •Fire
- Other

FEMA Programs

- •Temporary Housing
- •Home Repair
- Medical, Dental, Funeral

<u>SBA</u>

Programs

- •Real Property Loans up to \$200,000
- •Personal Property Loans up to \$40,000

FEMA Programs

- Personal Property
- Moving & Storage
- Transportation
- •Group Flood Insurance

Voluntary Organizations

 Long-term, disasterrelated unmet needs

Approximately 80% of all disasters in the United States are UNDECLARED.



Resource Coordination

- Donations
 - Warehousing
 - Publicity Cash is king!
- Funding
 - Direct Service
 - Administrative
- Social Capital





Volunteer Coordination

- Network Development Housing
- Recruitment
- Skills Assessment

- Project Assignment
- Recognition









Construction Coordination







- Damage Assessment
- Re-construction Estimates
- Construction Material Procurement
- Volunteer Training and On-Site Coordination



Where to Begin?!





Putting the Pieces Together

 Step 1: Identify types of potential disasters and current disaster service providers

- Hazard planning & asset mapping
- Step 2: Convene a meeting of prospective stakeholders
 - Determine if other partners need to be at the table
- Step 3: Develop a mission statement



Example Mission Statement

The mission of the LTRC is to deliver disaster recovery services to survivors of disasters who are residing in the service area by sharing information, simplifying access to services, and jointly resolving cases with unmet, disaster related long-term recovery needs.





Putting the Pieces Together

Step 4: Develop service provision guidelines

- What services will be provided?
- How will impact be measured?
- Step 5: Establish organizational structure
 - Identify individuals to serve as governing body
 - Standalone 501(c)3 or utilize a fiscal agent?
- Step 6: Develop by-laws



Potential LTRC Structures

1. Standalone 501(c)3 - LTRO

- Complete necessary IRS paperwork
- Usually requires consultation with legal counsel
- Must establish and maintain Board of Directors

2. Partner agency acts as fiscal agent

- Execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between LTRC and fiscal agent
- Fiscal agent handles all financial matters



Fiscal Agent Responsibilities

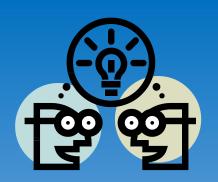
 Agrees to manage funds at the direction of the LTRC;

 Able to provide evidence of robust internal controls and record protection procedures;

 Equipped and willing to provide LTRC with regular financial reports;

 Undergoes professional, thirdparty audits on an annual basis.





Remember!



- Recovery is "complete" when all affected households have recovered to a reasonable level of self-sustainability.
- Success rests upon the LTRC's ability to locate and develop resources and effectively deploy those resources to meet community needs in a consistent and confidential manner.



Questions?



Missouri Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters



The Governor's
Partnership for
Faith-Based and
Community Service





Missouri Interfaith
Disaster Response
Organization
(MIDRO)



SEMA Emergency Human Services



Don't Be Like Dilbert!





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